

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
HISASHI AOKI, ET AL. : EXAMINER: SALCE, J.
SERIAL NO: 10/717,539 :
FILED: NOVEMBER 21, 2003 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2421
FOR: MOTION PICTURE STORAGE :
APPARATUS AND MOTION PICTURE
DISTRIBUTING SYSTEM

ELECTION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

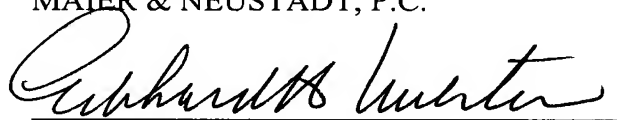
SIR:

In response to the Election Requirement dated December 11, 2008, Applicants elect, without traverse, Claims 1-17, direct to a motion picture storage unit containing the components disclosed in Figure 5. Further, Applicants elect Group 1 containing Claims 1-14 and 16-17, for further examination on the merits¹. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected species.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1-14 and 16-17 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ This election is made with the understanding that the Official Action at page 3, line 2 includes a typographical error in referral to Group 1 as including only Claims 1-4 and 16-17.